

# Growing metropolitan areas and the increasing land use conflict - The example of the City of Cologne in the process of the revision of the regional plan

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## Who:

Administrative District  
Cologne

## What:

Regional plan

## Why:

New specifications

Changed framework  
conditions

Adaption to legal  
requirements

## Where?

Administrative District of  
Cologne (99 units)

## How?

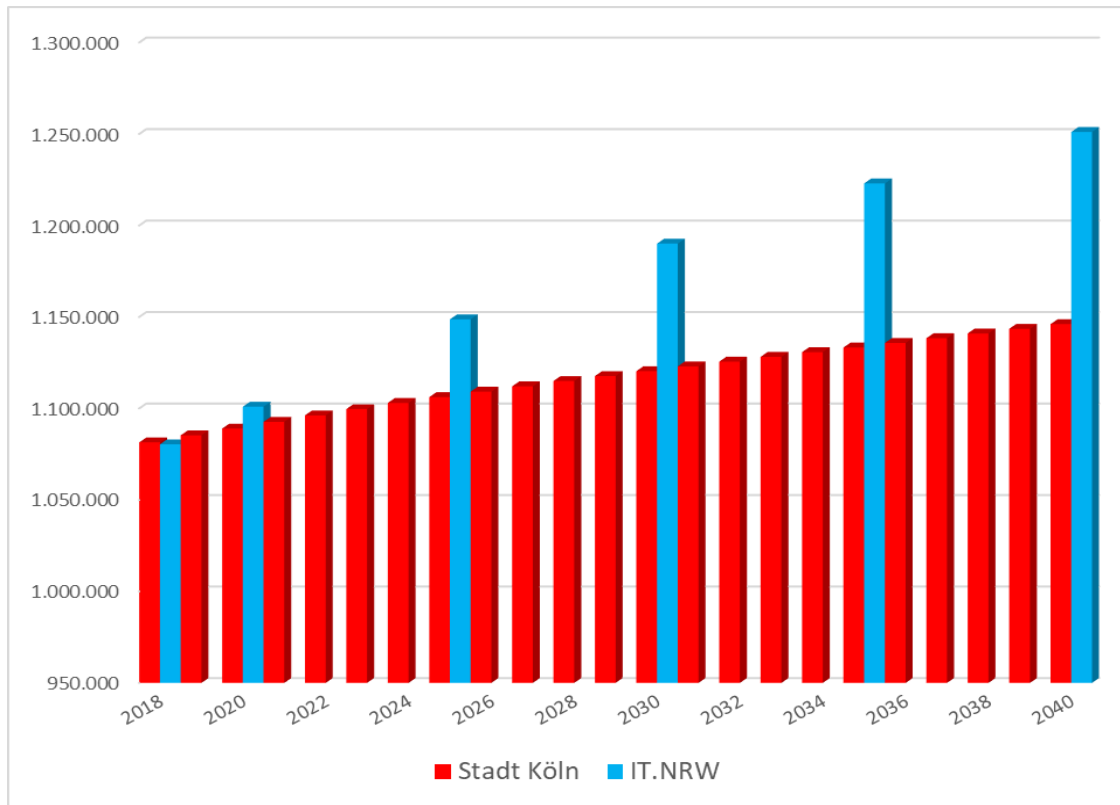
Informal process  
(ongoing)

Formal process (starts  
2021)

# Starting Point



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Challenge:

Cologne will continue to be a growing city in the future!

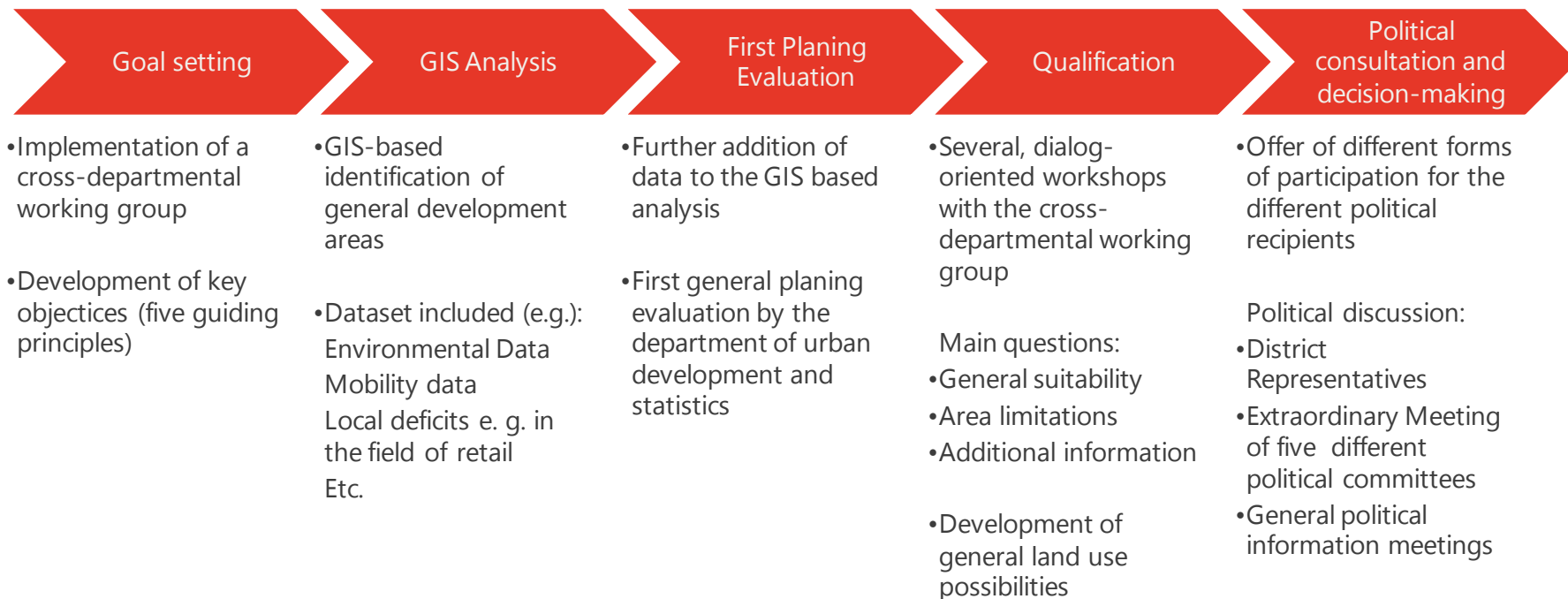
The city's aim is to save and identify long-term options for the socially and spatially compatible development of the city of Cologne.

This also includes securing significant green areas as well as important climate-active areas for the city's overall well-being.

# Approach to the identification of suitable development areas for the revision of the regional plan



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# Output



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Hier: Darstellungsvorschlag Modul III (inkl. Modul II)  
Stand: September 2019

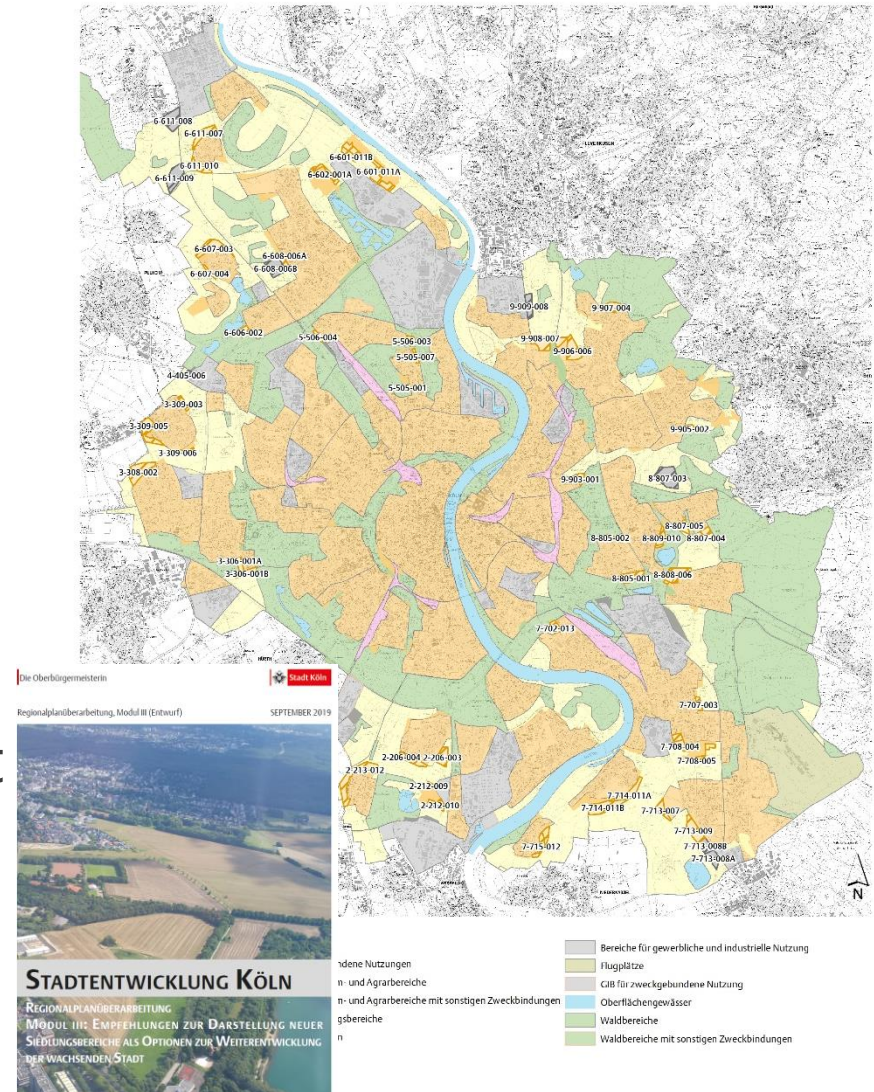
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The city of Cologne identified 53 areas, together a total of 820 ha.

560 ha for housing and mixed usages (e. g. education, traffic)

170 ha for business and industrial developments

→ 1.550 ha of demand are not met within the city limits



# Lesson learnt



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The revision process is still ongoing, but here are some initial experiences:

- Identify key actors and develop guiding principles early on
- GIS-based Analysis supports transparency
- Consult with regional actors and establish strategic cooperations

# Follow Up



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The informal part of the revision of the regional plan is going to result in a first plan draft. Currently, the Administrative District Cologne performs a strategic environmental audit. This will likely result in the further elimination of areas brought in by the city of Cologne.

Supported by the results of the strategic environmental audit the city of Cologne will continue with the political consultation and decision-making.